



FRESHWATER CAST - MONDAY CAST - VERMONT

Champlain VT Shore: Cool Nights, Mixed Cloud & Soft Weekday Pressure

Mon Sep 21 - Thu Sep 24, 2026 - Lake Champlain - Vermont shore (Burlington hub) - **Primary:** Largemouth & smallmouth bass - local ET

Mon ~59F

Tue ~62F

Wed ~66F

Thu ~66F

Local ET

Vermont's big lake will not pretend it is July - win rocky points and weed edges while weekday boat traffic stays soft.

• MIDWEEK OUTLOOK

BTV (BTV 88,56) - Sun Sep 20, 2026 8:52 PM CT ET: Monday ~59F Mostly Cloudy | Tuesday ~62F Sunny | Wednesday ~66F Sunny | Thursday ~66F Slight Chance Rain Showers then Mostly Sunny

MONDAY

~59F / low ~46F - Mostly Cloudy
Wind 10 to 17 mph - PoP ~10% - ET

TUESDAY

~62F / low ~45F - Sunny
Wind 8 to 12 mph - PoP ~0% - ET

WEDNESDAY

~66F / low ~48F - Sunny
Wind 6 mph - PoP ~2% - ET

THURSDAY

~66F / low ~50F - Slight Chance Rain Showers then Mostly Sunny
Wind 2 to 8 mph - PoP ~15% - ET

CLARITY

No dated mid-Sep clarity report - FLAG.

PRIMARY SPECIES

Largemouth & smallmouth bass

HEAVY TRAFFIC

No named trail event pulled Mon-Thu. Soft weekday recreational.

● DAM / LAKE LEVEL

USGS Lake Champlain at Burlington (04294500) / VT Fish & Wildlife

USGS 04294500 Lake Champlain at Burlington elev ~94.11 ft (Sun Sep 20 ~9:00 PM ET). Soft re-check - not a generation board.

Re-check before launch.

● BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Burlington / Colchester / Shelburne public access where posted. Dawn points and weed edges. VT shore only.

KAYAK

Protected bays when main lake winds up. PFD; watch ferry lanes.

BOAT

VT-shore ramps. Graph bait on points/weeds. Reciprocal NY license awareness - live-check regs.

● ETHANOL-FREE FUEL NEAR THIS WATER

Pure-Gas.org pulled **Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 8:44 PM CT** pin 44.47616,-73.22152. **Prices as of Sun Sep 20, 2026 8:52 PM CT - verify at pump.**

Simon's Store - 42 Park St, Burlington, VT ~0.4 mi oct [91] price not listed - verify at pump 802-862-1945

Champlain Farms - 1118 Williston Rd, South Burlington, VT ~2.1 mi oct [91] price not listed - verify at pump 802-863-6611

South Burlington Jolley Citgo #546 - 1110 Shelburne Rd, South Burlington, VT ~2.7 mi oct [91] price not listed - verify at pump 802-865-2005

Costco - 218 Lower Mountain View Dr, Colchester, VT ~3.0 mi oct [91] price not listed - verify at pump 802-318-2000

● LURE BOX (LARGEMOUTH & SMALLMOUTH BASS)

TOP

Walking bait (bone/chrome)

Popper on weeds

Buzzbait low light

MID

Spinnerbait

Fluke

Ned / drop-shot

BOTTOM

Football jig

Texas creature

Tube

● LIFE STAGE + WHAT'S ON THE MENU

Late September Champlain early-fall transition - weeds, points, bait schools.

What's on the menu / Natural forage (dated hatch thin — most likely for late Sep on this water): Yellow perch / cisco / shad-class bait, panfish in weeds, crawfish on rock. No dated hatch. Match lure profile to what you mark; do not invent a specific hatch.

● ALSO ON THIS WATER

NORTHERN PIKE

Weed edges and bay mouths.

YELLOW PERCH

Weed and deeper flats.

LAKE TROUT / LANDLOCKED SALMON

Deeper main-lake soft note.

Regs: [live-check only](#).

● LOOKING AHEAD

Cooler nights keep fall transition moving. No named trail event pulled Mon-Thu. Soft recreational. Shared with NY - VT shore focus.

Sources: NWS BTV BTV 88,56; USGS Lake Champlain at Burlington (04294500) / VT Fish & Wildlife; Pure-Gas.org Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 8:44 PM CT. Re-check before launch.

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